# Why Islington?

Islington is a borough of extremes. Alongside huge wealth, almost every ward includes a neighbourhood that falls into the 10% most deprived areas of England. With 243,000 people living in Islington, it is the most densely populated local authority area in England and Wales – more than 37 times the national average.

## "We want to see a visible change in Islington."

**Mariama, Young Grant Maker**

**13%** of the borough's land is green space, the second-lowest proportion of any local authority in England.
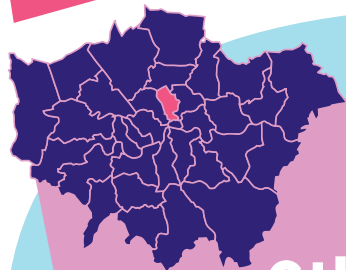
Islington has the **5th** highest rate of people experiencing mental ill health in England.

**34%** of residents over the age of 60 face income deprivation. The London average is 22%.

**38%** (nearly 15,000) children and young people are living in poverty.

Islington is the **6th** most deprived of 32 London boroughs.

Even before the current cost of living crisis, more than **11,500** Islington families were living in fuel poverty.

**1 in 5** people in Islington are living with a disability. 23,054 households have at least one disabled member.

Figures sourced from Trust for London and "Fairer Together" reports, Islington Council